IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:) Bankruptcy No. 20-22898-CMB
RONALD G. LINABURG,) Chapter 11
Debtor.) Related to Doc. Nos. 134, 135, 198 _) 201, 204, 207
RONALD G. LINABURG, Plaintiff,)) Adv. No. 21-2037-CMB)
v.) Related to Doc. No. 1
DIANA M. DONGELL, D.M.D., RONALD E. HAND, D.M.D., REBECCA L. WATKINS, D.M.D., and RENEE R. KALP, D.M.D.,))))
Defendants.)) _)

ORDER

AND NOW, this 19th day of May, 2021, whereas Diana M. Dongell, D.M.D., Ronald E. Hand, D.M.D., Rebecca L. Watkins, D.M.D., and Renee R. Kalp, D.M.D. (collectively, the "Creditors") and Ronald G. Linaburg ("Debtor," together with the Creditors, the "Parties") have agreed to proceed to mediation to resolve all issues in dispute, and whereas this Court finds that mediation is appropriate and directs mediation to occur pursuant to W.PA.LBR 9019-2,

It is hereby **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, **AND DECREED** as follows:

- 1. The Parties and their counsel are ordered to participate in mediation.
- The Parties participating in mediation must have full authority to negotiate and settle the matters.

- 3. The Court directs the Parties to attend mediation with the object of fully resolving all of their disputes, including the *Motion for Leave to File Objection to Debtor's Exemptions* (Doc. No. 134), *Motion to Extend Deadline to Object to Dischargeability and/or Discharge* (Doc. No. 135), *Debtor's Objection to Proof of Claim No. 11* (Doc. No. 198), *Debtor's Objection to Proof of Claim No. 12* (Doc. No. 201), *Debtor's Objection to Proof of Claim No. 13* (Doc. No. 204), *Debtor's Objection to Proof of Claim No. 14* (Doc. No. 207), and the *Complaint for Violation of the Automatic Stay and for Contempt of Court* (Adv. No. 21-2037, Doc. No. 1). Although in-person mediation is typically required, upon consultation with the mediator, alternative methods of mediation may be pursued due to the current public health issues and social distancing recommendations.
- 4. The Parties are directed to cooperate in selecting a mediator from the Court's Register and scheduling mediation consistent with this Order.
- Should the Parties fail to agree upon the selection of a mediator on or before May 25,
 2021, the Parties shall advise the Court <u>immediately</u> by filing a joint motion requesting appointment of a mediator. Thereafter, the Court will appoint a mediator.
- 6. The Parties shall enter into a written fee/expense agreement with the mediator, which the mediator shall submit to this Court for approval on or before **June 1, 2021.**
- 7. The Creditors and the Debtor shall share equally (50/50) all fees and expenses of the mediator *unless* otherwise agreed. All fees and costs incurred by the Mediator shall be paid by the respective Parties on or before fifteen days following the date of receipt of the Mediator's invoice.
- 8. Each Party is directed to come to mediation with a good faith offer of settlement.

Unless otherwise noted, the citations refer to filings at Bankruptcy No. 20-22898-CMB.

9. Mediation shall take place no later than June 29, 2021. In the event additional time is required, the Parties shall seek an extension of time from this Court and advise if all

Parties consent to an extension of time.

10. Willful failure to attend any mediation conference and any other material violation of this Court's Local Rules regarding mediation may result in the imposition of sanctions

pursuant to W.PA.LBR 9019-4.

11. Mediation is confidential as set forth in W.PA.LBR 9019-5.

12. On or before July 1, 2021, Counsel for the Creditors, after consultation with Debtor's

counsel, shall file a joint status report identifying what matter(s) have been resolved

and/or narrowed and what matter(s) remain in dispute, if any. Failure to timely file the

status report may result in the rescheduling of the status conferences, currently set for

July 27, 2021, at 1:30 P.M. to a later date.

13. Except for mediation, all activity related to these matters is STAYED pending further

Order of Court. To the extent the Parties agree that continued discovery would be helpful

to the ongoing mediation, discovery may proceed.

14. At the status conferences on July 27, 2021, the Court will address, inter alia, the outcome

of mediation and, if necessary, the need to reset deadlines and how the parties wish to

proceed to the extent mediation was unsuccessful. The status conferences may be

cancelled and/or rescheduled if the parties advise the Court that a settlement has been

reached or additional time is requested in order to finalize a settlement.

Carlota M. Böhm

Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

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United States Bankruptcy Court Western District of Pennsylvania

In re: Case No. 20-22898-CMB

Ronald G Linaburg Chapter 11

Debtor

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Date: May 21, 2021 Signature: /s/Joseph Speetjens

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